

Listing of the Claims:

1. (currently amended) A heat patch comprising:

an enclosure that includes a gas-permeable first layer and a second layer such that a perimeter of said gas-permeable first layer is bonded to a perimeter of said second layer, said gas-permeable first layer including an inner surface and an outer surface, wherein said entire first layer is gas-permeable;

a heating composition inside said enclosure, said heating composition being capable of generating heat when a gas is received through said gas-permeable first layer; and

a gas-impermeable cover that is detachably mounted to said outer surface of said gas-permeable first layer, wherein said gas-impermeable cover includes a plurality of portions detachably mounted to said outer surface of said gas-permeable first layer, and wherein at least one of said plurality of portions includes information related to heat generated by the heat patch when one or more of said plurality of portions is removed from said gas-permeable first layer.

2. (original) The heat patch of claim 1 wherein said heating composition comprises iron powder, water, water retaining agent, reaction promoter and salt.

3. (cancelled)

4. (original) The heat patch of claim 1 wherein said gas-permeable first layer is polyethylene.

5. (original) The heat patch of claim 1 wherein said second layer is polyethylene film.

6. (original) The heat patch of claim 1 wherein said gas-impermeable cover is polyethylene film.

7. (original) The heat patch of claim 1 wherein said heating composition is capable of generating heat when air is received through said gas-permeable first layer.

8. (cancelled).

9. (currently amended) The heat patch of ~~claim 8~~ claim 1 wherein said plurality of portions seal some of said gas permeable first layer such that said heating composition generates heat which maintains said second layer at between about 38 and 40 degrees centigrade when the heat patch is exposed to the gas.

10. (original) The heat patch of claim 9 wherein said heat composition maintains said second layer at between about 40 and 42 degrees centigrade when at least one of said plurality of portions are removed from said gas-permeable first layer.

11. (original) The heat patch of claim 10 wherein said heat composition maintains said second layer at between about 42 and 44 degrees centigrade when all of said plurality of portions are removed from said gas-permeable first layer.

12. (currently amended) The heat patch of ~~claim 8~~ claim 1 wherein said plurality of portions include strips that seal some of said gas-permeable first layer.

13. (cancelled).

14. (currently amended) The heat patch of ~~claim 13~~ claim 1 wherein at least some of said plurality of portions are different colors, the colors supplying said information related to heat generated by the heat patch when one or more of said plurality of portions is removed from said gas-permeable first layer.

15-37. (Cancelled).